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From: O'Brien, Elisabeth (DPH)
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 3:22 PM
To: Salemi, Charles (DPH); Nassif, Julianne (DPH)
Subject: RE: federal \$ for expedited testing

I know that there are specific cities/towns that are a part of the Safe Neighborhood Initiative(Brockton is one of them), perhaps we have the Feds identify those cities they are particularly involved with and we dedicate a chemist for that city/cities to ensure a more timely analysis in general, in addition to the chemist providing cocaine base analysis for their more specific requests.

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From: Salemi, Charles (DPH)
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Julie, I think the easiest way to keep track and make it look like a project is to give the federal samples priority and keep a separate accounting of the time and cost of testing and processing their samples (lab and office time). Divide the samples up between the analysts routinely doing powders. I don't think a consultant would work because you have to plan for court appearances, and that could be a problem once the money runs out. As long as the IR works, lab supplies are minimal, (some dessicant for the IR). I am out Wednesday, but will be in Thursday and Friday. CBS

From: Nassif, Julianne (DPH)
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Kevin Stanton from DPS contacted me to say (again) that they have \$10K from the federal government that they would like to transfer to us, via a Project Safe Neighborhood mini grant. I will complete the paperwork and hopefully this time we'll actually receive some funding. It isn't much money but I think it would be best utilized for overtime or for consultant time (may not be politically palatable at a time when layoffs are still being discussed). What do you think? Are there other things we should consider? Small equipment, lab supplies etc???

The trick is making this appear "project" like. I would appreciate your thoughts on how we could best accomplish this expedited testing.

If we do decide on OT or a consultant, we will need to have good records related to use of the funds and the analysis of the federal samples. For example, we may designate X hrs/week of OT for the analysis of DOJ cases. I am open to ideas/suggestions.

Are you in tomorrow? If so, can we meet briefly to toss some ideas around?

Thanks, Julie

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